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My dear [redacted]

At long last we have come to a decision regarding your research proposal.

As I noted in my letter of 3 March, we considered quite carefully, in connection with our decision, the fact that complete exploration would require a long term commitment; granted that you would accept a one year contract. However, as you have pointed out, it would not be desirable for either partner in the arrangement to undertake the first step without reasonably clear intent to follow through if the first step is successful.

We recognize quite clearly that there may be a potential in the technique you have suggested if it could be developed. We would prefer to follow along on the matter for awhile, however, rather than take positive action to prove or disprove the theory at present.

I regret that we will not be able to take an active part in your research but should you run across anything tending to prove the practical utility of your laboratory tests, we would appreciate very much hearing from you.

Sincerely yours,

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P.S. I am undertaking a new assignment in the near future and will no longer be the logical recipient of correspondence from you on matters of this kind. Let me take this opportunity to express my personal appreciation for the advice and assistance you have so kindly given me. May I suggest that you continue to address any further correspondence you may wish to send to this organization directly to [redacted] who will get it into the proper hands.

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